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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new non-provisional applications under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(B))

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| Attorney Docket No. | S01.12-0829/STL 10301 |
| First Inventor or Application Identifier | Kevin J. Schulz et al. |
| Title | STIFFENED SUSPENSION FOR A STORAGE DEVICE HAVING A LAYER OF COMPOSITE MATERIAL |
| Express Mail Label No. | EV049898266US |

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

Address To: Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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| 1. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> *Fee Transmittal Form e.g., PTO/SB17) (Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing) | |
| 2. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specification [Total Sheets 14] (preferred arrangement set forth below - Descriptive title of the invention) - Cross References to Related Applications - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D - Reference to Microfiche Appendix - Background of the invention - Brief Summary of the invention - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed) - Detailed Description - Claim(s) - Abstract of the Disclosure | |
| 3. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. § 113) [Total Sheets 4] | |
| 4. | Oath or Declaration [Total Sheets 3] a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Newly executed (original or copy) b. <input type="checkbox"/> Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d)) (for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed) i. <input type="checkbox"/> DELETION OF INVENTOR(S) Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 C.F.R. §§1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b). | |

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| 5. | <input type="checkbox"/> Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix) | |
| 6. | <input type="checkbox"/> Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (If applicable, all necessary) a. <input type="checkbox"/> Computer Readable Copy b. <input type="checkbox"/> Paper Copy (Identical to computer copy) c. <input type="checkbox"/> Statement verifying identity of above copies | |

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

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| 7. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s)) | |
| 8. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney | |
| 9. | <input type="checkbox"/> English Translation Document | |
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| 11. | <input type="checkbox"/> Preliminary Amendment | |
| 12. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) | |
| 13. | <input type="checkbox"/> *Small Entity <input type="checkbox"/> Statement filed in prior application. Status still proper and desired (PTO/SB/09-12) | |
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| 16. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: Our checks in the amounts of \$830.00 and \$40.00 | |

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation | <input type="checkbox"/> Divisional | <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation –in part (CIP) | of prior application No: _____ |
| Prior application information: | | Examiner _____ | Group/Art Unit: _____ |

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17. CORRESPONDENCE

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FEE TRANSMITTAL

Complete if Known

Application No.

Filing Date

First Named Inventor

Title

Group Art Unit

Examiner Name

HEREWITH

Kevin J. Schulz et al.

STIFFENED SUSPENSION FOR A STORAGE DEVICE HAVING A LAYER OF COMPOSITE MATERIAL

Total Amount of Payment \$ 830

Atty. Docket Number

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METHOD OF PAYMENT (Check One)

FEE CALCULATION (Continued)

1. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and 1.17, including any petition fee, and credit any over payments to Deposit Account No. 23-1123.
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2. ☒ Check Enclosed

FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

| Large Entity | | Small Entity | | Fee Description |
|--------------|----------|--------------|----------|--|
| Code | Fee (\$) | Code | Fee (\$) | |
| 101 | 740 | 201 | 370 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Utility Filing Fee |
| 102 | 330 | 206 | 165 | <input type="checkbox"/> Design Filing Fee |
| 103 | 740 | 208 | 370 | <input type="checkbox"/> Reissue Filing Fee |
| 104 | 160 | 214 | 80 | <input type="checkbox"/> Prov. Filing Fee |

Subtotal (1) \$ 740

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

| | Number Claims | Prior** | Extra | Fee from Below | Fee Paid |
|--------|---------------|---------|-------|----------------|----------|
| Total | 25 | 20 | 5 | 18 | 90 |
| Indep. | 3 | 3 | 0 | 84 | 0 |

Multiple Dependent Claims

** Insert 3 and 20, or number previously paid if greater; Reissue see below

| Large Entity | | Small Entity | | Description |
|--------------|----------|--------------|----------|---|
| Code | Fee (\$) | Code | Fee (\$) | |
| 103 | 18 | 203 | 9 | Claims in excess of 20 |
| 102 | 84 | 202 | 42 | Independent claims in excess of 3 |
| 104 | 280 | 204 | 140 | Multiple Dependent Claims |
| 109 | 84 | 209 | 42 | Reissue Independent Claims over Original Patent |
| 110 | 18 | 210 | 9 | Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |

Subtotal (2) \$ 90

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

| Large Entity | | Small Entity | | Fee Description | Fee Paid |
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| Code | Fee (\$) | Code | Fee (\$) | | |
| 105 | 130 | 205 | 65 | Surcharge - Late filing fee or oath | |
| 127 | 50 | 227 | 25 | Surcharge - Late provisional Filing Fee or cover sheet | |
| 139 | 130 | 139 | 130 | Non-English specification | |
| 147 | 2,520 | 147 | 2,520 | For Filing a Request for Reexamination. (ex parte) | |
| 115 | 110 | 215 | 55 | Extension for reply within first month | |
| 116 | 400 | 216 | 200 | Extension for reply within second month | |
| 117 | 920 | 217 | 460 | Extension for reply within third month | |
| 118 | 1,440 | 218 | 720 | Extension for reply within fourth month | |
| 128 | 1,960 | 280 | 980 | Extension for reply within fifth month | |
| 120 | 320 | 220 | 160 | Filing a brief in support of an appeal | |
| 121 | 280 | 221 | 140 | Request for oral hearing | |
| 148 | 110 | 248 | 55 | Terminal Disclaimer Fee | |
| 140 | 110 | 240 | 55 | Petition to Revive - unavoidable | |
| 141 | 1,310 | 241 | 670 | Petition to Revive - unintentional | |
| 142 | 1,310 | 242 | 670 | Utility/Reissue issue fee (inc. advance copies) | |
| 143 | 490 | 243 | 260 | Design issue fee (inc. advance copies) | |
| 122 | 130 | 122 | 130 | Petitions to the Commissioner | |
| 123 | 50 | 123 | 50 | Petitions related to provisional applications | |
| 126 | 180 | 126 | 180 | Submission of Information Disclosure Statement | |
| 581 | 40 | 581 | 40 | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) | |

Other Fee (specify) _____

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Signature

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